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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed July 1, 2004, Applicant requests reconsideration of the restriction requirement in light of the following remarks.

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The Restriction Requirement

The Office has required restriction to one of the following groups of inventions under 35

U.S.C. § 121:

Group I: claims 1-10 and 16-22, drawn to a semiconductor device, classified in class

257, subclass 328; and

Group II: claims 11-15 and 23-25, drawn to a method of making a semiconductor device,

classified in class 438, subclass 314.

The Office argues that Groups I and II are related as a process of making and product

made. The Office further argues that the inventions of these two groups are distinct since the

process as claimed can be used to make other and materially different products such as other

devices that do not have only the body region between the first and second channel stop regions.

The Office concludes that because the groups of inventions are distinct for these reasons, and

have acquired a separate status in the art as shown by their different classification, restriction for

examination purposes is proper.

Applicant elects with traverse to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 1-10 and 16-

22. Applicant does NOT traverse the Office's classification of the groups of inventions as

distinct and entailing different patentability determinations, merely the reasoning behind the

Office's classification.

Applicant respectfully disagrees that the Office has shown that the invention of Group II

can be used to make the other and materially different product. The claims of Group II include

claim 11 which recites the step of forming a gate electrode between the first and second channel

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stop regions. Thus, the process of claim 11 can be used to make the Office's proposed product

that "do(es) not have only the body region between the first and second channel stop regions"

since the product produced by claim 11 would have a gate electrode formed between the first and

second channel stop regions.

Thus, the Office has not established a proper restriction requirement between Groups I

and II.

CONCLUSION

For the above reasons, Applicant respectfully requests the Office to withdraw the

restriction requirement and examine all the pending claims.

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